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CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-14 (Previously canceled)

Claims 15-56 (Cancelled)

57. (New) A mobile communications device comprising:
a flip comprising a keypad and a keypad lighting circuit;
a body connected to the flip by a hinge;
a pin contact having a conductance dependent on the position of the flip relative to the body, the body comprising a multiplexing circuit configured to alternate between connecting a power supply to the keypad lighting circuit and connecting the keypad to a microprocessor through the pin contact.

58. A mobile communications device in accordance with claim 57, wherein the multiplexing circuit is configured to alternate between connecting the power supply to the keypad lighting circuit and connecting the keypad to the microprocessor at a rate allowing the connection to the keypad lighting circuit to appear continuous to a user.

59. (New) A mobile communications device in accordance with claim 58, wherein the rate is greater than 30 HZ.

60. (New) A mobile communications device in accordance with claim 59, wherein the rate is approximately 60 Hz.

61. (New) A mobile communications device in accordance with claim 57, the multiplexing circuit comprising:
a timer;
a bypassing circuit connected to an output of the timer, the bypassing circuit configured to bypass a pull-up resistor to a high voltage in response to a state

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of the output to provide a voltage at the pin contact alternating between a high voltage and a low voltage.